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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 10/580,132; § 371 Date: March 2, 2007 (as corrected)  
(U.S. Nat'l. Stage of Int'l Appl. No. PCT/KR2006/000071)  
For: **Dicarboxylic Acid Salt of Sibutramine**  
Inventors: **CHOI *et al.***  
Our Ref: 2511.0030000/JUK/DLL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Request to Correct 35 U.S.C. § 371 Date;
2. Marked-up copy of Notice of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.495 indicating corrections noted in red ink;
3. Request for Corrected Official Filing Receipt;
4. Marked-up copy of Official Filing Receipt indicating corrections noted in red ink;
5. Acknowledgement Receipt indicating the USPTO received the Declaration on March 2, 2007; and
6. Return postcard.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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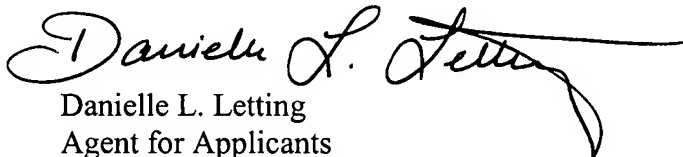
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

CHOI *et al.*

Appl. No.: 10/580,132

§ 371 Date: March 2, 2007 (as corrected)

For: **Dicarboxylic Acid Salt of  
Sibutramine**

Confirmation No.: 9220

Art Unit: 1614

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Atty. Docket: 2511.0030000/JUK/DLL

**Request to Correct 35 U.S.C. § 371 Date**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby submit a request for a correction of the 35 U.S.C. § 371 date and for a corrected Notice of Acceptance Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.495.

The following Corrections to the Notice of Acceptance are requested:

**In the Date of Receipt of 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) Requirements Section, please delete 05/02/2007 and insert --03/02/2007--.**

**In the Date of Completion of All 35 U.S.C. 371 Requirements Section, please delete 05/02/2007 and insert --03/02/2007--.**

**In the list of items received, Oath or Declaration, please delete 05/02/2007 and insert --03/02/2007--.**

**In the list of items received, Request for Immediate Examination, please delete 05/19/2006 and insert --03/02/2007--.**

The USPTO has entered an incorrect 35 U.S.C. § 371 date in its records. Specifically, the USPTO has entered May 2, 2007. However, the correct 35 U.S.C. §

371 date is March 2, 2007. The USPTO has also entered the incorrect date of May 2, 2007 as the date the Oath or Declaration was filed. The correct date for the filing of the Declaration is March 2, 2007. In support of the correction of the Filing date of the Declaration, please see the enclosed copy of the acknowledgment receipt indicating that the USPTO received the Declaration on March 2, 2007.

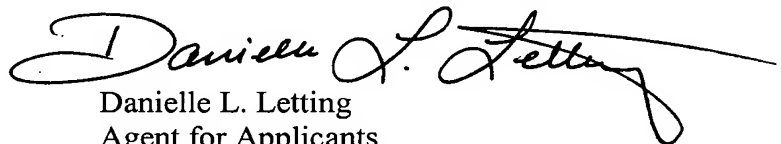
Request for Immediate Examination was filed on March 2, 2007. However, the Notice of Acceptance lists the incorrect date of May 19, 2006. In support of the correction of the date of the Request for Immediate Examination, please see the enclosed copy of the acknowledgment receipt indicating that the USPTO received the transmittal letter, PTO Form 1390, (miscellaneous incoming letter) on March 2, 2007.

In support of the above requests, a photocopy of the Notice of Acceptance mailed May 10, 2007 is enclosed indicating the corrections noted in red ink.

It is requested that a corrected Notice of Acceptance be issued, and sent to the undersigned at the earliest possible time.

Respectfully submitted,

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371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER

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Date Mailed: 05/10/2007

## NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

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DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and  
 (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS

DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL 35 U.S.C. 371  
 REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE. The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363).** Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/19/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 05/19/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/19/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on ~~05/02/2007~~ 03/02/2007
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on ~~05/19/2006~~ 03/02/2007
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/19/2006
- Assignment filed on 05/02/2007
- Power of Attorney filed on 05/02/2007

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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FORM PCT/DO/EO/903 (371 Acceptance Notice)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Appl. No.: 10/580,132

§ 371 Date: March 2, 2007 (as corrected)

For: **Dicarboxylic Acid Salt of  
Sibutramine**

Confirmation No.: 9220

Art Unit: 1614

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Atty. Docket: 2511.0030000/JUK/DLL

**Request for Corrected Official Filing Receipt**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby request that a corrected Official Filing Receipt be issued and sent to the undersigned representative. Specifically, the following corrections to the Official Filing Receipt are requested:

**In the Filing or 371(c) Date Section, please delete 05/02/2007 and insert --03/02/2007--.**

In support of the correction of the Filing or 371(c) Date Section, please see the enclosed acknowledgment receipt indicating that the USPTO received the Declaration on March 2, 2007.

In support of the above request, a marked-up copy of the instant Official Filing Receipt is enclosed to show the corrections noted in red ink.

It is requested that a corrected Official Filing Receipt be issued, and sent to the undersigned at the earliest possible time.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danielle L. Letting", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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## FILING RECEIPT

Date Mailed: 05/10/2007

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## Foreign Applications

REPUBLIC OF KOREA 1020050001403 01/06/2005

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 05/10/2007

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is  
**US10/580,132**

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**Title**

Dicarboxylic acid salt of sibutramine

**Preliminary Class**

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